I. E. James, engineer in charge, was sent from San Francisco, by Mr. Chapman, to make certain surveys and observations on lands bordering on the Colorado and New rivers. He organized his party in San Diego, taking Samuel Purdy, Jr., assistant. Their outfit, when they started to penetrate these localities, about which so little is known by the outside world, consisted of eight men, a wagon and a pack-horse. From where they branch off the Fort Tums road, they proceeded over a desert country for about 25 miles, when they struck the New river country, which is said to contain a large amount of fertile land, made so by the freshets that overflow that section. It is 50 miles from there to the mouth of

freshets that overflow that section. It is 50 miles from there to the mouth of Hardy's Colorado river, and 23½ miles from there to the mouth of the Colorado river, at Montague Island.

The party strack off to the right of Signal Mountain, which is near the boundary line between the United States and Lower California, and at the head of Coconah range. locopah range.

This fine sheet of water is about 35 miles in length, and averages ten miles in breadth. Its water is described as being intensely impregnated with salt. Its name signifies hair, so called by the Coural Indians on account of the require intensely impregnated with salt. Its name signifies hair, so called by the Cocopah Indians, on account of the peculiar sea-weed that grows in it. The shores are covered with this weed, which has been washed ashore, and which very much resembles hair. The northern end of the lake is at the base of the Signal Mountain, and it extends southward to within 16 miles of the lower end of Cocopah range of mauntains. In fact, the lake lies, as it were, in a broad valley between the Cocopah and Coast ranges. It is only 14 miles from Indian Wells, on the Yuma road, to the north end of the lake. This large body of water seems to be fed mainly by the tides which flow from the Colorado river, through Hardy's Colorado and Pasqual slough. It is possible that the very heavy tide—one of the "bores," spoken of hereafter—may flow over the land into the lake. The ground on the lake, at the entrance of Pasqual slough, is but the feet above the main tide, while further up it is but two feet higher. The whole country from New River Station, on the Yuma road, to the higher. The whole country from New River Station, on the Yuma road, to the Gulf of California, is subject to overflows from the river, or high tides from the Gulf.

the summit of the divide between the desert country to the north and the fertile country to the south.

HOT WEATHER. heat was almost intolerable. The ther-mometer indicated regularly at 3 o'clock every afternoon 114 degrees in the shade. It would usually drop to 70 or 80 de-grees at night, but once more before the party reached Mount Purdy the mercury party reached atoms Pardy the mercury reached 110 degrees in the night. After passing this modulain the climate was found to be very fine, on account of the breeze from the Gulf.

This tribe of Indians inhabit the masa or table land back near the Cocopah range, and are opposed to ravesions of all characters. When to exploring party first entered their dominion they met at Point of Rocks, on Hardy's Colorado, a delegation of Indians, who wanted to know their business. It was explained to them that the party wanted to make a survey and map of the country. As the Indians explained all their conversation by making marks in the sand with sticks, the map business was readily understood. They did not like to have the party go through their country, and declared positively that so large a party of strangers should not. In San Francisco several old Mexicans and others who had some knowledge of the Cocopaks, told Mr. James that no one had as yet been able to penetrate that country, and that those who had made the attempt had lost their lives. A compromise of doubtful meaning was finally made by which Messrs. James and Purdy were to be allowed to proceed with one man and a pack-horse. Nothing daunted they complied with the demand and set out on their journey. They were followed by the Indians constantly, and occasionally the latter would come into camp. THE COCOPAR INDIANS. This tribe of Indians inhabit the meso the latter would come into camp.

INDIAN ATTIBE. The Indians are tall and fine looking in their Garden-of-Eden attire. A good looking squaw is rather the exception than the rule. They wear a sort of a shirt, made of bark, that comes down a little above the knees. The members of families are very affectionate toward each other. The men wear their, hair long, parted in the middle and cut short in front, over the eyes.

SHORT BATIONS. During the time the engineers were in the Indian country, their rations consist-ed of flour, sugar and coffee. They were obliged to subsist for ten days on filour and water, and when their supply gave out, they lived for three days on what is called "pig weed," which they cooked and ate as "greens," and found it to be very nourishing (no joke).

NEAR MOUTH OF COLORADO. The party camped, with their Indian guide, on the west side of the Colorado river, byposite Montague Island, and directly across from the ship yard of the Colorado Steam Navigation Company, which is on the Sonors side. From this point it is from ten to twelve miles back to the Coast Range of the mountains. All of the land lying between the mouth of the river and Hardy's Colorado—twenty-three and a half miles—is five feet below the high tides mentioned by Lieutenant Ives in his survey, and is worth-

On one occasion about first remains came to see them, and when night came on Mr. James told them, as on all former occasions, that they must get out and stay at a respectful distance. They at first refused to obey, but when a Henry rife and double-barrel shot-gun, with an

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array of navy revolvers were shown them they yielded reluctantly and departed. Aside from this little incident the Indians gave them no trouble. At another time, there being a difficult survey to be made, the engineers left all their traps, including their guns with a chief and his band for three days, all being restored to them on their return.

of the proposed inland sea, to be made by flooding the lands near the mouth of the Colorado river, we have concluded to republish the same.]

There has been much private and public speculation upon the rumored project of overflowing the lands near the mouth of the Colorado river. It has been supposed that W. S. Chapunun, of San Francisco, had some gigantic scheme on hand by which the climate of the lower country, and especially near the mouth of the Colorado river, was to be changed, and a great inland sea, to be made out of the desert, was to be accomplished. Mr. Chapman has undoditedly some scheme on foot, but what it is has not yet come to the surface. That it is in regard to overflowed lands, we have no boubt.

THE RIPCHITION.

At the mouth of the Colorado, rise to the height of thirty feet, and are said to present a sublime spectacle. During the time-when there is a freshet in the river, the tide meets the torrent on its way to the sea, and in the struggle between these two mighty forces for the mastery, the waters pile up like an immense mound. Finally the water from the Gulf overtable with a roar that can be heard for five marches up the river and back inland with a roar that can be heard for five allowed and with a roar that can be heard for five marches up the river and back inland with a roar that can be heard for five allowed the mast of a vessel to the surface. That it is in regard to overflowed lands, we have no boubt.

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From Hardy's Colorado, which is a horse-shoe shaped bayou off the Colorado river, twenty-three and a half miles above the mouth, to the mouth of New river, is fifty miles; from there to New River Station, twenty-five and a half miles; from there to Indian Wells, fourteen and a half miles. As before stated, the land from the mouth of the Colorado up to Hardy's Colorado is worthless, but from there up to and along New river the soil is very fertile, and by irrigation can be made to yield largely. DISTANCE, SOIL, ETC.

The Secretary of the Navy has received from Mr. Peterman, the German geogra-pher, a complete chart and report of the Polaris expedition. The document is all in German, and is in the hands of a

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T. W. ABRAHAM. Postmaster T. W. ABRAHAM, Postmaster.

Notice! Notice! OFFICE FLORAL SPRINGS WATER Co., July 30, 1873. July 30, 1873. July 30, 1873. AVE been duly adopted by resolution of the loand of Trustees of the

Floral SPRINGS WATER CO.

They are to be strictly observed by consumers of Floral Springs water:

1. In all cases of non-nayment of the water reat within three days after presentation of bill, the supply will be cut off, and the water shall not again be let on, either for the present or any subsequent occupant, except upon the payment of the amount due, together with the sum of two dollars; provided that in cases of specific supplies, or for fractional parts of the month, where the water has been let on, it may be cut off immediately after notice given at the piece that the rent is not paid, and may be let on again upon the condition before mentioned.

2. No person or family supplied with Floral Springs water will be permitted to use the water for any other purpose "han that stated in this agreement, nor to supply water in any way to other persons or families.

3. Consumers shall prevent all unnecessary waste of water, and shall make no concessment of the purposes for which it is used.

4. No alterations shall be made in an "waterpape or fatture without first giving notice or the intended alteration at the office of the Company.

5. In all cases where water is to be supplied to several parties or tenants from one connection or tap, the Company contracts only with one of said several parties, and on his default to abide these regulations, and pay the rates, will cut off the connection.

6. Whenever any of these regulations shall be violated the supply of water will be discontinued, and not resure of miles and on the connection.

7. All persons taking water shall keep their service pipes in good repair, at their own expense, and they will be held table for all danages which may result from their failure to do so.

8. Sprinkling with hose and standing irrigators will not be allowed under any circumstances.

9. The inspector, or other properly authorized officer of the Company, shall be admitted at all reasonable hours to all parts of any presidence of the contents of the shove fulles and literations is hereby call FLORAL SPRINGS WATER CO. SHERWOOD & BRO..

lations are observed.

The attention of customers having pipe connections is hereby called to the above Rules and Regulations, adopted by the Board of Trusters, and which are hereafter embedded in all constitutions of the statement of the state and which are lorestier embedied in all contracts for water, and required to be signed before the supply will be furnished. The above regulations will be strictly enforced, and parties neglecting or refusing to comply with them will have their supply of water discontinued in the Company reserves the night of places once. The Company reserves the night of places in the contract of the meter and placing upon the premises. Parties having hose, in case of rice, will be allowed to use water to extinguish the same free of charge. Water will be supplied

By carts, within the main limits of the town, at ... 3 Cts. per gallon and at the Goose Necks of the Company, on Main street, at ... ... 3 Cts. per gallon The necessity of an economical use of water is imperatively called for in order that A FULL SUPPLY may be kept at the Company's tank in case of FIRE.

W. M. LUBBOCE.

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Job Work promptly executed at the office